

CENSUS CARDS HAVE ARRIVED

People Will Have a Chance To Tell Uncle Sam What Their Business Is and How They Make Money

The "census cards," issued down through the various sub-councils by the National Council of Defense, have reached the Baxter Springs Council with the request that they be used immediately. They are in fact "census" cards, for approximately they give a person's complete history with various details that the government desires to have compiled. In this way, it is understood, the government will eventually have a card system of all the people.

These census cards, apparently, are being sent out at this time because of the impending Red Cross drive. They are in blank with places for a person's name, age, postoffice address, annual income, how much he is worth, and if an alien enemy what is the value of his property, with a description of it.

There are also questions to be answered, giving the amounts a person was asked to subscribe to the various Thrift Stamps, the Army, Y. M. C. A. or the Knights of Columbus, and also giving the amounts that he did give to these causes. Also the amount subscribed and whether or not it was all paid.

Questions are also asked to cover alien enemies and pro-Germans. In what country were they born, whether or not naturalized, where parents were born, in what business they are engaged, where they are working, what war work they are doing besides giving money, whether they are practicing food and fuel conservation, attending patriotic meetings, whether or not drafted and how classified, whether they have any immediate relative in the army, navy, Red Cross, Knights of Columbus or Y. M. C. A. work, and if under age what the name and address of parents or guardian.

QUITS BOOTLEGGING TO WORK THE COUNTY ROADS

Jess Riggs, colored, who has become a familiar figure with the peace officers of the county through his repeated attempt to circumvent the prohibitory laws, was caught again Saturday night by Officer Gene Turner with a good supply of corn juice on his person. As a result Riggs is back again as a star boarder in the Hotel Frazier at the county seat. He pleaded guilty of bootlegging before Justice Jones, who gave him a sentence of six months in the county jail and for good measure appended a cash fine of \$500 which Riggs will have the chance to work out on the county roads.

Mr. Ed O'Rear left Monday for Kansas City to attend to business there.

The American Red Cross

The American Red Cross is the largest and most efficient organization for the relief of suffering that the world has ever seen.

It is made up almost entirely of volunteer workers, the higher executives being, without exception, men accustomed to large affairs, who are giving their services without pay.

It is supported entirely by its membership fees and by voluntary contributions.

It is today bringing relief to suffering humanity, both military and civil, in every War-torn allied country.

It plans tomorrow to help in the work of restoration throughout the world.

It feeds and clothes entire populations in times of great calamity. It is there to help your soldier boy in his time of need.

In its thousands of workers, its tremendous stores and smooth-running transportation facilities, it is a perfect example of America's genius for organization, of America's generosity, and of America's will to Win the War.

Congress authorizes it.
President Wilson heads it.
The War Department audits its accounts.
Your Army, your Navy and your Allies enthusiastically endorse it.

Twenty-two million Americans have joined it.
Every Cent of Every Dollar Received for the Red Cross War Fund goes for War Relief.

The interest which accrues from the banking of funds has made actually available for War Relief, one dollar and two cents out of every dollar contributed.

RED CROSS WORK MOVING RAPIDLY

Baxter Quota Approximately \$5,000—Plans for Red Cross Carnival Being Pushed Forward

proximately \$5,000, and every effort will be made to put this town over the top as usual. The people generally are making up their minds now regarding the utmost amounts they can subscribe and the committee should not have a difficult time. The pledge cards, this time, permit the

The general plans for the Red Cross drive in Baxter Springs, from May 20 to May 27, are going ahead rapidly and with satisfactory results. The executive committee members met last night at the Chamber of Commerce and completed the lists for the drive, each of the members heading a separate committee who will call upon the various business and professional men in the city. The members who attended the meeting last night, were Messrs. A. L. Harvey, L. L. Cardin, O. M. Spratt, G. E. Lundgren and E. C. McWilliams. It is the intention to give every person in the city an opportunity to subscribe to the Red Cross.

Baxter's quota, this time, is ap- subscriber to make four payments if he so desires, one each on June 1, July 1, August 1, and September 1. The committees will ask that cash payments be made, however, whenever it is possible.

The ladies, named by Mesdames Kane and Griffard, to solicit articles for the public auction on May 18, at the corner of Eleventh and Military, are now at work. In such an auction, held recently at Salina, there were nine auctioneers kept busy until 10 o'clock at night and the amount sold was \$2,750.

The plans for the carnival, also to be held on May 18 in the Goodale hall (Chamber of Commerce) are going ahead satisfactorily. The big hall will be prettily decorated and many of the young women of the city will participate in making the carnival a success.

For the Red Cross banquet, given for the Chamber of Commerce tomorrow night at the Empire Hotel dining room, the tickets are now being sold by ladies, who have been named by Miss Verna Canaday for that work. Miss Canaday was appointed to direct the sale by Mesdames Kane and Griffard. There will be 200 tickets sold. The banquet starts at 7:30, with a prominent speaker and Jung's band as the program.

NOTICE RED CROSS WORKERS

The Red Cross work room is open every Monday, all day, Tuesday afternoon, Wednesday forenoon, Thursday all day and Friday afternoon. There is an abundance of material now on hand and workers are urged to come and help. Mrs. W. W. Wyatt, Supt. of work room.

THE MINING NEWS

By Frank Hills
Nix & Son, of Miami, will begin to operate the Old Sambo mine at Lincolnville as soon as the pond is filled. An engine is pumping water from a creek which has been filled by the late rains and as soon as that source fails or the pond has been filled the water from the Old Sweeney mine that is being operated now, will be pumped into it. The Sambo is said to be a good producer but has not been operated for some time on account of a lack of water. There are two shafts to the ore which is found at a depth of about 80 feet. The mill is a large one and complete in every detail. Bert Pierson, of Joplin, is in charge of operations.

The Johnson Mining company has made a good strike of lead on the G. Y. M. lease in the NE 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Section 32-29-24, east of the Red Eagle mill in the Sunnyside field. A forty-foot face of ore was registered by the drill holes on the G. Y. M. and a shaft which has been sunk several feet into the ore is producing splendid dirt. A drift is being driven into the ore bed about half way through it and a mill will soon be erected on the site. Workmen on the shaft are of the belief that they have opened up another Lead Boy or Red Eagle, those being rich neighbors to the G. Y. M. The Johnson Mining company is made up of A. J. Johnson, Ray A. Johnson, Floyd A. Johnson, J. Frank Neighbors, S. V. Flory, all of Miami, Okla.

All speculation as to the probable over production of zinc concentrates is passed. That was a new form of camouflage foisted upon the unthinking investor and mining man who knew but little of the devious ways of the so-called zinc trust. The truth is that, within a short time, this field will show greater activity than ever before in its history. There will be larger and better mills built during the coming year than at any time since this district opened up. It is estimated that something like 240 mills in the Baxter district are either completed or nearing completion, and it is safe to say that this number will be doubled before the end of 1919. The new mills, however, to be built, will be larger and more modern than those already built. This means larger investment of capital but with modern methods the higher per cent of earnings will follow. With a workable ore body and six or eight per cent recovery, with prices above the \$50 mark, a mill of large tonnage will earn big dividends. The slipshod, happy-go-lucky system of operation will pass with the coming of new mills yet to be erected. As the war situation improves, which is certain, the zinc business will improve. Our prices will, before snow flies again, hover around the \$75 base, for 60 per cent blend, and the man who uses modern methods will make money as never before. The big boom in zinc mining is yet to come. Good ore deposits and big concentrating plants will mean big dividends under the new order of things. The talk of over production is pure moonshine and used by those who have an ulterior motive in view.

DIDN'T WANT HONEY BEES

Newlywed Husband Didn't Want Bees Around So His Wife Would Be Endangered

Out in Omaha addition, which isn't so far out, live two newlyweds—very new weds. Now a neighbor had two stands of bees in the yard where Mr. and Mrs. Newlywed moved and expected to leave them there a few days until he could find a place to put them. But Newlywed husband would not stand for the stands of bees and served notice on the neighbor to move the bees forthwith. Now the neighbor is mean enough to say that Newlywed thinks his wife is so sweet that he is afraid to have even honey bees buzzing around.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira C. Perkins, of Galena, have received word from their son, Lindley, who is in France, that he has been promoted and now has a commission of second lieutenant. Lieutenant Perkins is in Company F, 12th Regiment Engineers (Railway) American Expeditionary Force in France. He has been there since last August.

IF YOU SUSPECT

If you suspect that there is something disloyal in this community don't go and tell anybody, unless you want some help in watching the party or parties. Write to Fred Robertson, United States district attorney, Kansas City, Kansas, or if the case is urgent use the telegraph. If it is very urgent it might be just as well or better to communicate with the local council of defense of which W. W. Scott is the head. Mr. Scott will be able to give you any advice you may need. We are located in the center of a field of industry that is mighty in this war. Lead is one of the most important materials in the manufacture of munitions. It is just as important at this time as any of the other base metals unless it is iron ore. Some dynamite has been stolen from the mines near Baxter recently. This is sinister because no man with common horse sense at this time is going to invite government prosecution or lay himself liable to it. The fact that one man representing himself to be a government agent turned out to be an impostor does not in any way alter the danger in this district. That his victims are innocent is now almost certainly established, and it is apt to bring about a feeling of safety and cause us to pass up signs or clues that we would otherwise have noted. Keep your eyes "peeled" and your senses alert. The Duncan episode has not been fully investigated yet and it might be that he is merely making himself the "goat" to cover up something bigger and allay suspicion in other quarters. Practice eternal vigilance for these are critical times and you may be a good soldier and save some lives right at home.

BAXTER EXPECTED TO LEAD THIS COUNTY

Must Raise \$5,000 in Red Cross Drive Which Will Start Next Monday, May Twentieth

The Red Cross campaign, raising the funds for the Second War Fund, is now on in earnest throughout the country. The total amount to be raised is \$100,000,000. The drive starts next Monday and continues one week. Baxter Springs is to raise \$5,000. This town went over the top and led the county in the Third Liberty Loan and wants to make a similar record in the Red Cross drive.

The following statement relative to the present drive, was received today from W. J. Moore, the county campaign chairman:—

"Our chief at St. Louis, Mo., says we should double our quotas or the sums given us to raise, and J. Luther Taylor, our field man at Pittsburg, Kan., tells me to try to complete the campaign by Wednesday evening, May 22, so our report will be the first in. The first district in Kansas is composed of the counties of Cherokee, Crawford, Labette, Neosho, Montgomery, Chautauqua, Wilson and Elk counties."

Mr. Moore reports that his Columbus city committee has promised him that no one there will be permitted to turn the committee down, and if any man fails to do what he ought to do, they will report him to be again waited upon.

In Baxter Springs the local committees are being formed, the heads having already been named, and the campaign is ready to start Monday morning sharp. It is the desire of the local workers to have Baxter Springs report first in the county that her quota has been raised, and the committees will call upon the business and professional men promptly, and there should be no delay on the part of the people in responding.

A good strike of ore was found on the W. W. Wyatt and J. O. Goodwin forty acres south of town.

SUNNYSIDE SOCIAL

The Junior Red Cross box social given at the Sunnyside school house last Friday night was well attended. A short program was rendered. A. W. Abrams, Rev. Garretson and Chas. Wells gave very interesting addresses which were appreciated by all. Music was furnished by a Victor phonograph donated from the J. W. Grantham music house in Baxter. Col. Wade Hibbard, the efficient auctioneer, sold the boxes. Three little girls dressed in Red Cross uniforms passed the boxes when sold and collected amount bid. The school house was decorated with flags and Red Cross banners. Miss Mae Bingham took the cake as the most popular young lady. The social netter \$72.90. Sam Abrams donated \$10.00 and H. H. Hawkins \$5.00, which made a total of \$87.90.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Trigg entertained at lunch Sunday Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Satterlee and Mrs. H. W. Tenyson and children.

Miss Margaret Thomas delightfully entertained a number of her friends at her home Saturday night with a slumber party. The evening was enjoyed with games and music. At midnight the hostess served a delightful luncheon. Those present were: Misses Louise Covey, Julia Allen, Grace Opperman, Dorothy Smith, Gail Hamilton, Helen Humphrey, Clover Gaba, Audrey Cooper, Mildred Wilson, Lois Williams and Margaret Thomas.

Mrs. M. U. Felter, of Francis, Ok., is a guest at the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. W. Wyatt.

Miss Edna Pibbercum, who has been quite ill, is better.

Mrs. L. H. Barrett and daughter, Aleta, were Joplin visitors Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Rice left yesterday for a week's visit out of town. Mr. Rice went to Wichita Falls and will later in the week join Mrs. Rice at Tulsa.

Alfred L. Wilson, "one of the boys at Hoods," has been notified that his name appears on the list of Cherokee county citizens for the next draft quota, and is arranging to leave for his home at Opolis and the home of his wife's parents at Cherokee, early next week, to visit the folks before he is called to go. Mr. Wilson, like all the Hood boys, is a prince of a fellow and although he has been pretty closely confined as bookkeeper, he and his estimable wife have made numerous Baxter Springs friends and they will be greatly missed by all of them, in both the business and social circles. Mrs. Wilson will make her home with her parents at Cherokee while her husband is in the service, which we all hope will not be a long time, and that when the Kaiser and his bunch are either subdued or killed he will return to Baxter Springs to reside permanently. Mr. Wilson endeavored to enlist in the navy some months ago but his height and weight did not correspond to the requirements, so he was turned down. He would prefer the navy, but says he is ready to serve his native land in any place assigned him.

PRIVATE MEET CITY COUNCIL

Mayor and City Administration Hold a Meeting Behind Closed Doors Under Guise of Committee

Shortly before the close of the regular meeting of the city council Tuesday night Mayor Wright asked permission of the council to appoint everybody in the city administration on a special committee. He then asked for a motion to adjourn so that the committee could convene.

The mayor explained that he "wished to discuss matters pertaining to the welfare of Baxter Springs." The city hall emptied with the exception of the city administration and the newspaper men, the latter being later kindly requested to make themselves scarce as the council wanted to discuss some business they did not want to get to the public. How long the session extraordinary lasted is not known.

UNCLAIMED LETTERS

Letters remaining in the postoffice at Baxter Springs, Kas., for week ending May 16, 1918:

Eva Wilson, Ira Willis, Lester Riley, Wilhoit Oil Co., W. O. Smith, C. S. Stark, Rebecca Blackwell, Myrtle Love, C. M. Battleron, Mrs. H. C. Carter, Ray Cantrell, Wm. Butler, 2, O. H. Curry, Mrs. Leafy Burdick, Julia Colton, Luther F. Boone, W. A. Bridges, Everett Aiken, Nora Briley, Billy Chisron, Grover Allen, Jim Brewer, Cleve Ackley, W. D. Amtry, A. R. Blackburn, Oreta Baker, W. E. Palmer, Wallace Ewing, C. W. Cain, Mrs. G. E. Adkins, J. J. Gilley, Andy Herington, Geo. Hersell, B. H. Glaze-Brooks, B. B. Garrison, Mrs. Clara King, W. G. Kline, Mrs. Alice Lee, 2, Walter Lee, Mrs. W. M. Kline, Ora Kensingler, Della Lowery, H. L. Landreth, Kahoma Dev. Co., J. B. Jarner, Le Roy Jack, Mrs. C. H. Dunn, James Miller, J. C. Stalton, Tom Guals, Oscar Potosoff, L. L. Phillips, 2, Forest Pierce, E. D. Price, Albert Phillips, Galey Pendleton, James M. Thatcher, Walsie Gidson, Chas. Reed, 2, Sr Die Nicolas Y. Reva, M. A. Stevens, Mrs. P. Scheurick, J. T. Roberts, Frank Hanley, Chas. D. Hall, Pent Harper, Gordon Hanes, M. Wright, E. Stevens, Julia Robinson, A. Y. Ford.

Persons calling for any of the above letters will please say "Advertised," giving date of list.

Chas. L. Smith, P. M.

BIG FIELD DAY OF DOUGLASS SCHOOL

Do not forget—forget what? The first Annual Field Day on the Douglass school campus Friday, May 17, beginning at 1:30 p. m. Features of the afternoon will be a literary program by the primary children; a musical by the music pupils; high jumping; 50-yard dashes; basket ball; girls playground ball; May pole; drill; horse shoe pitching and calisthenic drills and games.

Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Rice left Tuesday for a week's visit out of town.

Red Cross Week Proclamation

The time has come when the people of America, who are unable to bear arms against the enemy of Right and Freedom, are again to be given the opportunity of contributing from their bounty to aid the cause for which we fight.

To the American Red Cross has been delegated the work of aiding, sustaining and comforting our men engaged in actual warfare, their families at home and the civilian population in devastated districts. Its work of mercy in rescuing and caring for the wounded, in relieving distress, in building up the shattered, in carrying cheer and comfort to those who bear the heavy burdens of the war and in sustaining morale, is of so great importance to the success of our arms that as a mere military necessity it ranks but little below men and munitions, while as an exemplification of a civilized Christian spirit that has not been crushed by the monstrous evils of War it is the highest expression of humanity.

Kansas must and will respond in a more than generous spirit to the call for the second Red Cross War Fund. To facilitate the work of enrolling subscriptions and in accordance with the designation of the President of the United States, I, Arthur Capper, governor, do hereby proclaim the week beginning May 20, 1918, as "Red Cross Week" in the State of Kansas, and call upon all Kansas people to show by their co-operation and by liberal subscriptions their loyalty to the country, their devotion to the cause of world-wide Democracy, and their undying determination "to see it thru."

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Kansas. Done at Topeka, the capital, this 14th day of May, A. D., 1918.

ARTHUR CAPPER, Governor.